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**High school teams to compete in Eastern Idaho Science Bowl**

IDAHO FALLS – Local high school students are testing their math and science knowledge this week at the Eastern Idaho Science Bowl sponsored by Idaho National Laboratory.

Seventeen teams are competing in three divisions at the Jeopardy-style tournament held today and Tuesday at the Center for Higher Education (CHE) building at the University Place campus in Idaho Falls.

Teams from small- and medium-sized schools vie for division titles today while teams from large schools play Tuesday. The winners of each division enter a Champion of Champions round at 1 p.m. on Tuesday to determine which teams will compete in the U.S. Department of Energy's National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C., in April.

DOE launched the competition in 1991 to encourage high school students to excel in science and math and to pursue careers in those fields.

Teams competing this year are:

- Butte County High School, Challis High School, Mackay High School, Rockland High School and West Side High School in the small-school division.
- American Falls High School, Marsh Valley High School, Ririe High School and South Fremont High School in the medium-school division.
- Blackfoot High School, Bonneville High School, Hillcrest High School, Idaho Falls High School, Madison High School, Pocatello High School, Rigby High School and Skyline High School in the large-school division.

This is the 23rd year INL has sponsored a quiz bowl tournament in which teams of high school students buzz in to answer questions.

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